

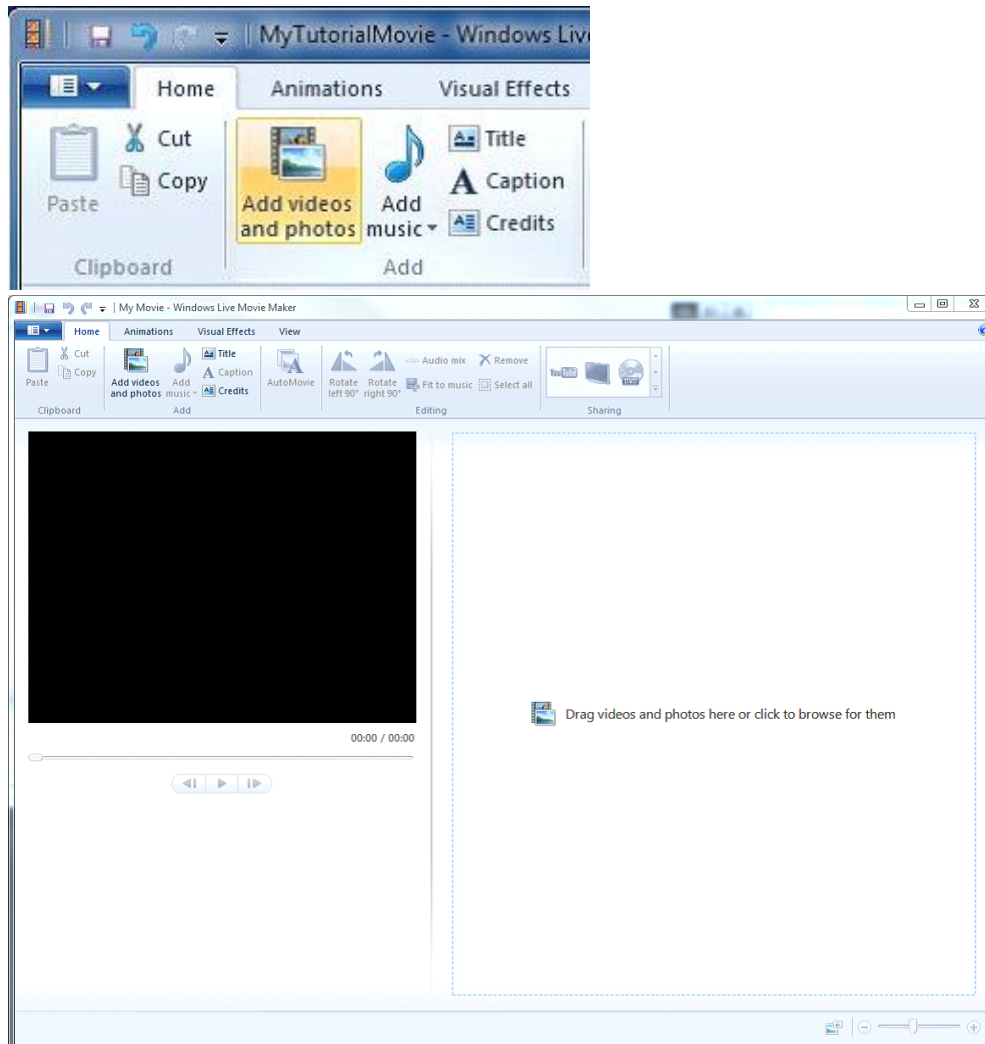


WINDOWS LIVE MOVIE MAKER

An Overview

Importing Photos and Videos

- Click on the home tab, then click on Add videos and photos

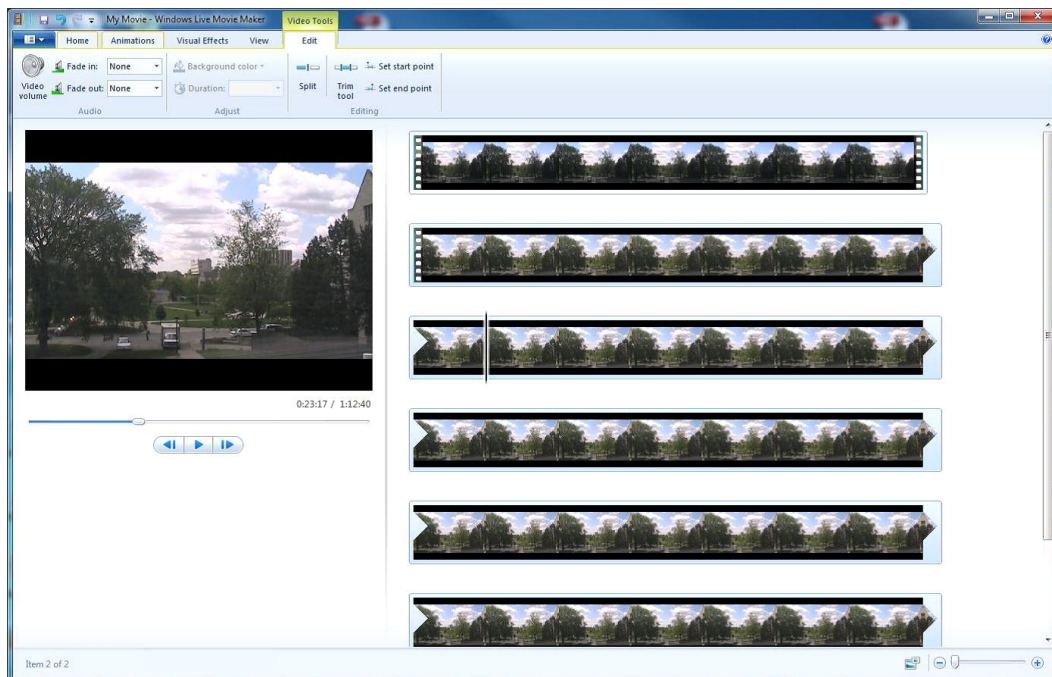


- Now browse to your external storage device, select the file(s) you would like to import, and click Open.
 - Or you can also just drag and drop video clips and photos into Movie Maker from a file browser window of your external storage device

For a video tutorial, visit: <http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows-live/movie-maker-get-started> (click on import photos & videos)

Editing Video

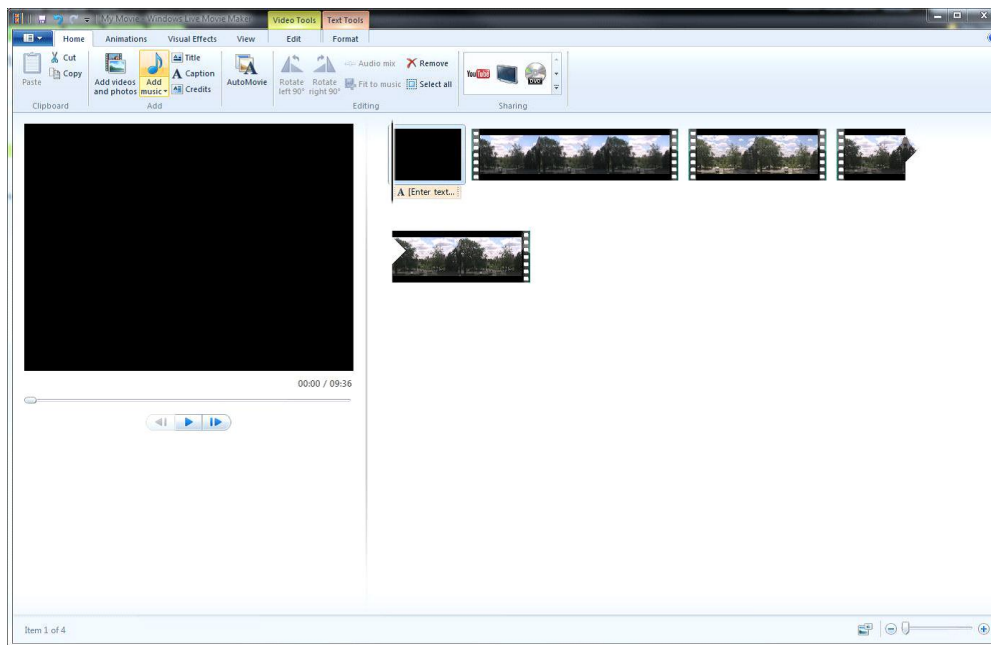
- Click on the **edit** tab in Movie Maker
- Click the **trim** tool - this will open the trim tab
- Use the sliders to select the portions of the clip that you want to keep.
- Click the **save trim** button on the top menu.



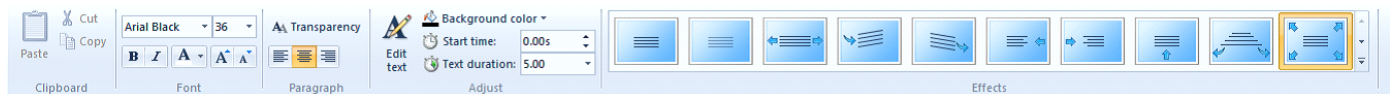
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Adding a Title Slide

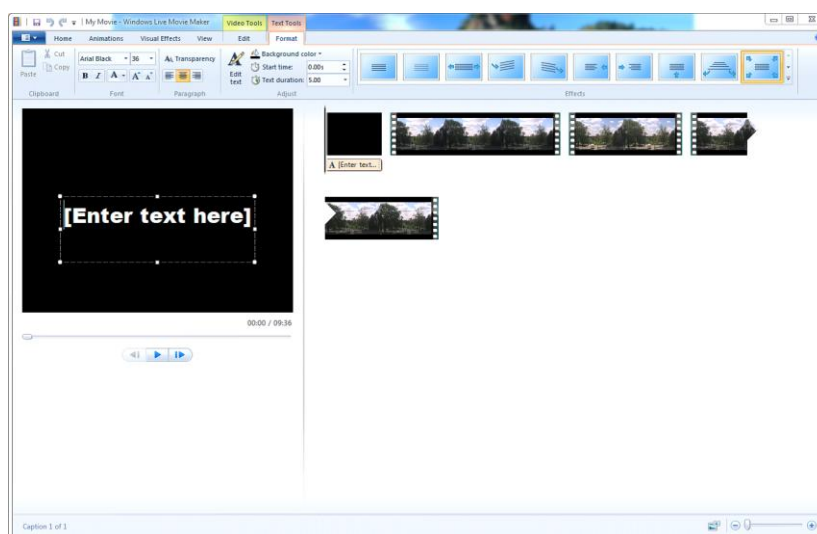
- Position the playhead in the position where you will want to place the title slide. Click on the **title** button on the Home tab



- You will see two new icons at the top of the window. The **Video Tools** tab and the **Text tools** tab.
 - Click on **Text tools**. You will see several options for changing the font and layout of the text
 - Use the effects to change how the text displays on the slide
- *Note that the title will default to a **slow zoom**



- Double-click on the “**Enter text here...**” under the title icon in the timeline and add text



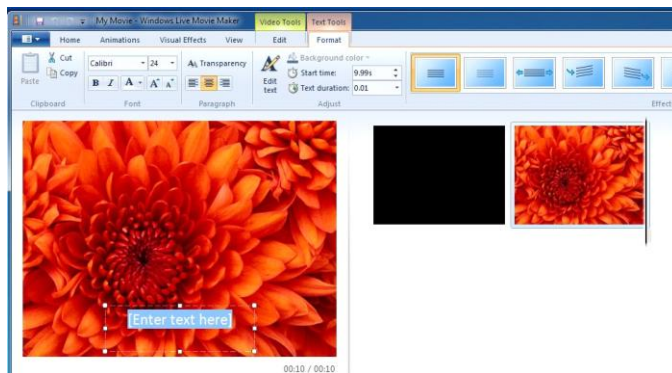
- If you wish to change the amount of time the text appears on the screen **increase the text duration**.
- Click on the **Video Tools** tab to change the duration of the entire title slide.

Adding Captions

- Click on the photo or clip that you want the caption to be on. Then click on the **Home** tab, then click **Caption**



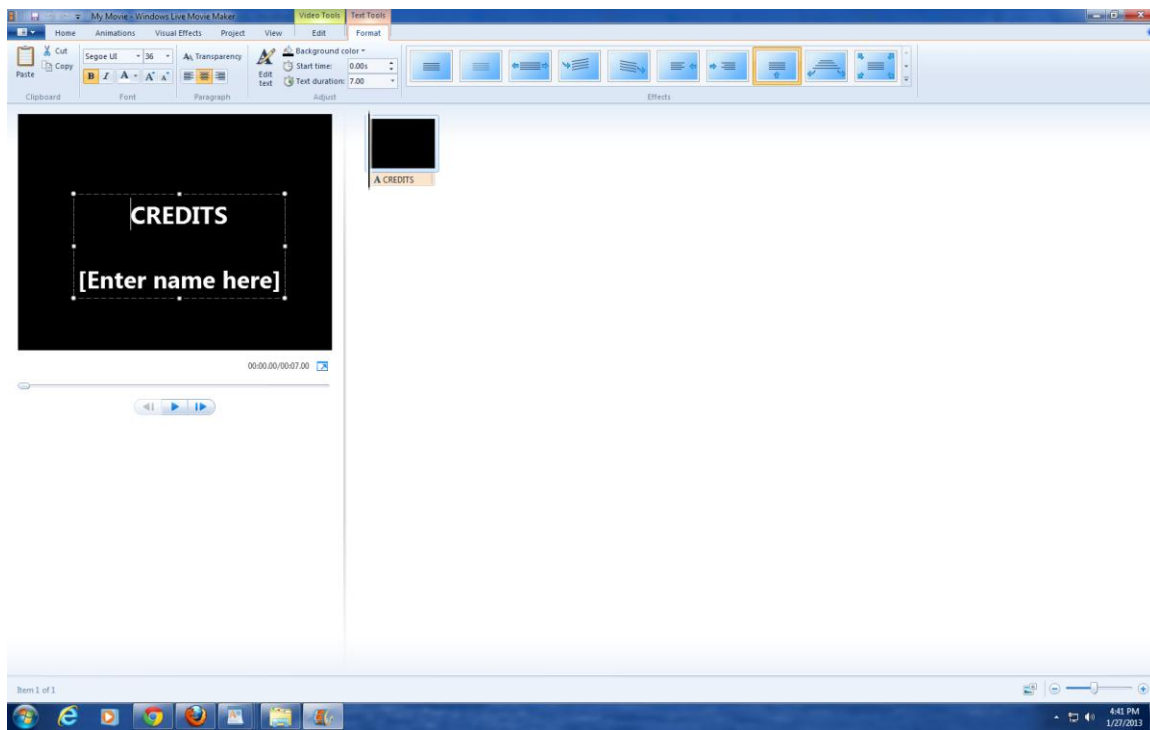
- A text box will appear on the lower part of your image or video. Click inside the text box and enter your text.
- Just like the title, you may change the font, size, color, effects, and more using the **Text Tools-Format** tab on the ribbon. You may also use text duration to determine how many seconds you'd like the caption to appear.



Adding Credits

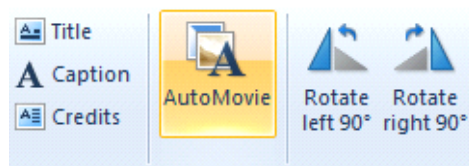
- Click on the **Home** tab, and then click **Credits**.
 - A black slide will appear. Click inside the text box and enter your text.
 - Credit options include: **Credits, Director, Starring, & Location**

- You can edit how the credits appear, enter the screen, and more using the Text Tools-Format tab.
*Note that the credits will default to downward scrolling through the text.



AutoMovie

AutoMovie is the simplest way to add “wow” to your content. Once your photos and videos are in your project, clicking **AutoMovie** on the **Home** tab automatically adds crossfade transitions, automatic pan-and-zoom effects, a title and credit slide, and it asks you if you want to add a soundtrack. If you click **yes**, AutoMovie automatically fits your content to your music.



Even after you click **AutoMovie**, you can still go back and fine-tune edit your project. Think of AutoMovie as doing all the hard labor, letting you relax and be the creative director.

For a video tutorial, visit: <http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows-live/movie-maker-get-started> (click on choose a theme)

Adding Transitions and Effects

If you want to add transitions to your content, click the **Animations** tab on the ribbon to display options for transitioning from one photo or video to the next.

- AutoMovie automatically adds a crossfade transition to each piece of content, but changing the transition is as simple as selecting the photo or video, navigating to the **Animations** tab, and clicking another transition to apply it to your content.
- You can mouse-over the options to see a live **preview** of how one photo or video will transition into another in the preview window. To see more options, click the down arrow in the lower-right corner.

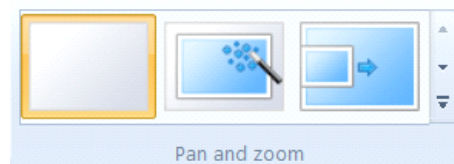


- To add a transition to multiple items, select a range by clicking the photo or video you want to start with, then hold down the SHIFT key and click the one you'd like to end your movie with. Then click the transition you'd like to use and it is applied to the selected range.

Add photo effects

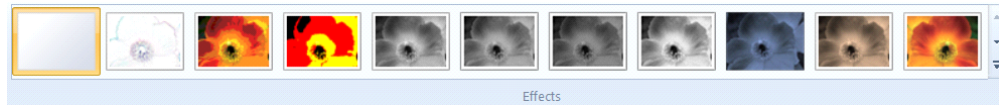
Click the **Animations** tab on the ribbon to display options for panning and zooming individual photos when they are displayed.

- To see more options, click the down arrow in the lower-right corner.
(AutoMovie automatically adds various pan-and-zoom effects to your photos)
- If you want to change the pan-and-zoom effect, simply navigate to the **Animations** tab, and with your photo(s) selected click any one of the pan-and-zoom effects to add it to your photos.



- Click the **Visual Effects** tab on the ribbon to display effects that can be applied to photos and videos. Mouse-over each effect to see what it would look like before adding it to your photo or video.

- To remove that effect so that it is not applied to your content, click **No effect** on the visual effects menu (the first one on the left).

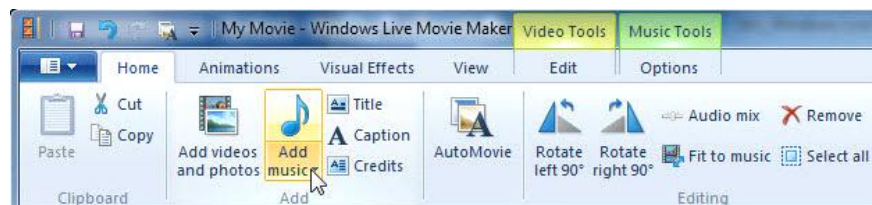


Adding a Soundtrack

- Click **Add Music** on the **Home** tab on the ribbon.
- Select the song of your choice, and click the **Open** button.
- Once you've added music, the **Music Tools-Options** tab now becomes available. **Note:** AutoMovie asks if you would like to add a soundtrack to your movie, if you select no you can always add one later.
- If you want to **split** a song at a particular point in your storyboard, select the photo or video before which you'd like the split. Click **Split** on the **Music Tools-Options** tab on the ribbon. Then drag and **move the song track** anywhere on the storyboard that you'd like.



- If you'd like to add more than one song to your movie, select the photo or video where you'd like to add the new song. Click the down arrow in the lower-right corner of the **Add music** button on the **Home** tab to access the drop-down menu. Click **Add music at a current point**. Select another song.



For a video tutorial, visit: <http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows-live/movie-maker-get-started> (click on edit the audio)

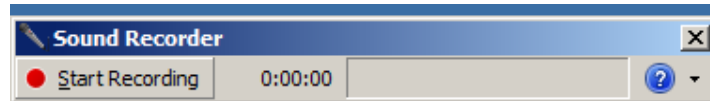
**One thing to note, MovieMaker will only allow you to have one soundtrack playing at a time. This means you cannot have the audio from your movie, a soundtrack, and a narration track all at once.*

If you want to **add narration and have a soundtrack** along with the audio from your movie in the background, read the steps below.

Adding Narration

(Put all MovieMaker content in the proper order before adding narration)

- Click **Start** in Windows Vista or Windows 7 and open up the **Sound Recorder** in the **Accessories** folder.



- With your Windows Live Movie Maker project open in the background, click **Start Recording** in the Sound Recorder and immediately click the **Play** control in your Movie Maker project.
- Narrate your movie. If you mess up, stop the playback of your Movie Maker project, click **Stop Recording** in Sound Recorder (don't save the file) and start again.
- When you finish narrating, click **Stop Recording** in Sound Recorder and save the audio file in a location on your computer that is easy for you to locate.
- Go back to Windows Live Movie Maker, find the point in the Storyboard timeline that you would like to add your narration (from the beginning or at a current point), and click **Add music** below the music note in the **Home** tab. Navigate to your audio file and add it to your project.
- You can edit your narrative track by clicking the **Music Tools** tab in the ribbon. Start by aligning the audio track to the place in your movie you want the narration to start. Then start playing your movie. The audio and video is probably not synced, for the moment do not pay attention to the video, listen for the point in the narration where you want the audio to start and click **Set Start Point**. This adjusts the audio so that the start point begins where you originally placed the audio track, effectively syncing your audio with your movie.